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Peace in Western New York.

I have just returned from a tour through Western New York, and, by request, take the first opportunity to communicate to you the result of my visit. And first of all, let me say that in every place I found the public feeling far in advance of New England, on the subject of peace. In some places, the feeling amounted almost to enthusiasm. The first meeting I attended, was at the Oneida Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, which held its session in Utica, N. Y. This body is composed of about two hundred and fifty members. And a more talented and generous-hearted company of men I have seldom if ever met. This body of Christian ministers gave me a truly hearty welcome among them as a messenger of peace, —assuring me that their sympathies were deeply enlisted in the cause I had come to represent. A committee was at once appointed on the subject of peace, who subsequently made a report, which was adopted without one dissenting vote, and a better report I think I have never seen. I will not speak of it farther now as I propose to forward it to you as soon as I receive a copy. It will be published soon.

I distributed a goodly number of peace publications, which were not only kindly received, but eagerly sought after. Several members became subscribers for the *Advocate of Peace* with pay in advance, and also gave me assurances that they would go home and act as agents, and I shall be disappointed if some of them are not efficient ones.

In the Oneida Conference I met with some of the fruits of the labors of the late devoted and self-sacrificing LADD,—the apostle of peace in modern times. It may be recollected his last labors were in Western New York. His last address on the subject of peace was at the Cazenovia Seminary. I learned by Prof. Clark, who heard him at that time, and who was himself convinced of the truth of the peace principles, and of the practicability of the measures we propose,—that much fruit still remains as the result of his efforts. Surely he did not labor in vain. Many there call him blessed. The history of the peace cause is interesting as connected with that Seminary and that last effort of Ladd. Prof. Clark assured me that he would communicate through your columns these facts. I heard repeated calls for help from our friends. An agent they *must* have at once. There can be no doubt that some single counties would sustain one alone. The fields are all white and ready for the harvest. Now is the time for *action, persevering, energetic action*. God is evidently with us in the peace enterprise; and he is, in the language of another, an “overwhelming majority.” From Utica I went to Penn Yan, where I held two meetings, and formed a Society, an account of which I must defer until my next; so adieu for the present.

E. W. JACKSON.

Gorham, Me., Aug. 26, 1845.

A Word from Southern Friends.

Athens, Ga., August 15, 1845.

MR. BURRITT,—Of all the societies, next to the Bible society, I revere none more than that for the promotion of peace. Its object is so inestimably holy, and consecrated to that Saviour who said, he came “to save men’s lives,” that every friend to it is the humble friend of God, and every enemy is fighting against him.

I have, indeed, endeavored to induce a few friends and neighbors here to subscribe for the *Advocate* through my hands; but, unfortunately, my efforts were in vain to persuade any one, aged, or young, to take a two years’ paper